

Application No. 10/794,163  
Response to Office Action

Customer No. 01933

R E M A R K S

Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Invention I, claims 1-16, for further prosecution on the merits, without traverse. Non-elected claims 17-29 have been canceled.

RE: RESPONSE DUE DATE

The Examiner initially issued an Office Action on May 5, 2004. However, the Office Action mailed May 5, 2004 did not contain an Office Action Summary sheet (Form PTOL-236). Therefore, the Examiner issued an Office Action Summary sheet by facsimile which has a mailing date of May 25, 2004. However, it is respectfully pointed out that the Office Action Summary sheet was actually transmitted on May 26, 2004, as indicated on the USPTO facsimile transmission cover sheet. In addition, it is also respectfully pointed out that the Office Action Summary sheet indicates that a response to the Office Action is due within one month of the mailing date of the Office Action Summary sheet. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the term for

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responding to the Office Action should expire on June 26, 2004.  
In any event, it is respectfully submitted that this Amendment is  
being timely filed.

RE: OFFICE ACTION SUMMARY

In item 1 of the Office Action Summary sheet transmitted on  
May 26, 2004, the Examiner indicates that the Office Action  
Summary is responsive to communications filed on May 5, 2004.  
However, it is respectfully pointed out that the Office Action  
Summary is responsive to the telephone conversation of May 7,  
2004 and that May 5, 2004 was the original mailing date of the  
Office Action.

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It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully  
responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

And it is respectfully requested that prosecution on the  
merits now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance  
of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are  
respectfully solicited.

Jun. 25. 2004 .10:59AM

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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